REPORT

OF THE

CIVIL JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION

OF THE

Bombay Presidency,

FOR

THE YEAR 1855.

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Bombay, Sudder Dewanee Adawlut,
31*st March* 1856.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Judicial Department.

Sir,

Present,
W. E. Frere,
W. H. Harrison,
M. A. Coxon,
Esquires.

I have the honour, by direction of the Judges of the Sudder Dewanee Adawlut, to submit, for the purpose of being laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying Statements Nos. 1 to 16, prepared in conformity with the Forms transmitted with Mr. Secretary Lumsden's letter No. 7459, of the 30th September 1852, showing the result of the Civil Judicial Administration of the Bombay Presidency for the year 1855, contrasted with the four previous years; together with Statements Nos. 1 to 13, and Nos. 1 to 12, giving the same information in respect to the Agency and Revenue Courts respectively.

2. I have also the honour to forward the usual Statement showing the European Officers who presided over the several Civil and Criminal Courts, and the business disposed of by each.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) M. A. COXON,
Registrar.

H. L. ANDERSON, Esq.

CIVIL.

No. 1.—PUNCHAYETS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	..	..	..	..	..
Instituted during the year	37	53	46	46	92
Total	37	53	46	46	92
Decided on merits	37	53	46	46	92
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..
Total	37	53	46	46	92
Depending 31st December	..	..	..	..	..

No. 2.—VILLAGE MOONSIFFS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	..	..	..	..	..
Instituted during the year	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..
Decided on merits	..	..	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..
Depending 31st December	..	..	..	..	..

NOTE.—There are no Village Moonsiffs under this Presidency.

No. 3.—DISTRICT MOONSIFFS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	11375	13264	A 14717	16771	21038
Instituted during the year	72921	73227	80678	75708	77835
Received by transfer	585	1071	583	4164	3402
Total	84881	87562	95978	96643	102275
Decided on merits	50080	53088	57345	54246	61108
Dismissed on default	2962	3198	3523	2494	2649
Adjusted or withdrawn	17379	16750	17386	15751	16132
Otherwise disposed of	1196	1080	953	3114	1919
Total	71617	74116	79207	75605	81808
Depending 31st December	13264	13446	16771	21038	20467

A.—These include the Suits depending on the 31st December 1852, on the Files of the Moonsiffs under the late Colaba Agency.

No. 4.—SUDDER AMEENS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	2500	A 3637	3285	3917	5441
Instituted during the year	16236	17465	17225	14267	15588
Received by transfer	333	190	132	B 1315	571
Total	19069	21292	20642	19499	21600
Decided on merits	10538	12610	11788	9275	11511
Dismissed on default	1273	1481	1541	1140	1043
Adjusted or withdrawn	3324	3622	3324	2672	2778
Otherwise disposed of	182	294	72	971	1463
Total	15317	18007	16725	14058	16795
Depending 31st December	A 3752	3285	3917	5441	4805

A.—In 1852, the appointment of Sudder Ameen at Sholapore was converted into a Principal Sudder Ameenship, and the Suits (115) depending on the File of the former on the 31st December 1851 were transferred to that of the latter functionary, and are accounted for in Statement No. 5; hence the difference between the number depending on the 31st December 1851, and brought forward on the 1st January 1852.

B.—These include 171 Suits transferred from the File of the Principal Sudder Ameen at Sholapore, whose appointment was converted into that of a Sudder Ameen on the 31st August 1854.

No. 5.—PRINCIPAL SUDDER AMEENS.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	1237	121	A1893	B 116	1977	101	3020	387	2763	85
Instituted during the year ..	6863	368	8680	475	9622	701	9562	336	7277	61
Received by transfer	238	..	109	44	599	804	212	614	154	626
Total:...	8338	489	10682	635	12198	1606	12794	1337	10194	772
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	4388	95	5571	106	6155	354	6164	279	5507	195
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	469	254	940	223	717	599	679	427	671	160
Remanded	..	114	..	196	..	228	..	179	..	75
Dismissed on default	526	7	629	2	535	22	680	10	483	10
Adjusted or withdrawn	1092	5	1287	7	1437	15	1373	27	1016	7
Otherwise disposed of	85	..	278	..	334	1	c1135	D 330	500	3
Total....	6560	475	8705	534	9178	1219	10031	1252	8177	450
Depending 31st December ..	1778	14	1977	101	3020	387	2763	85	2017	322

A.—The difference of 115 between the number of Original Suits depending on the 31st December *1851*, and depending on the 1st January 1852, is explained in a foot-note to Statement No. 4, marked A.

B.—102 Appeals were transferred by the Judge to the Principal Sudder Ameen of Sholapore in 1851, which, with the 14 Appeals depending on the 31st December of that year, make up the aggregate of 116 here shown.

C.—171 of these are transferred to the File of the Sudder Ameen, in consequence of the abolition of the appointment of Principal Sudder Ameen of Sholapore, in August 1854.

D.—Six of these Appeals are transferred to the File of the Judge of Sholapore, for the reason above stated.

No. 6.—ASSISTANT JUDGES.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	51	705	31	A 716	42	1132	52	1387	44	1315
Instituted during the year ..	21	1933	28	1759	30	1416	21	1413	48	1455
Received by transfer	13	402	7	632	23	716	12	979	13	839
Total..	85	3040	66	3107	95	3264	85	3779	105	3609
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	15	471	14	451	12	341	12	452	2	330
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	31	904	4	906	6	645	14	861	5	801
Remanded	..	380	..	365	..	279	..	280	..	307
Dismissed on default	3	28	3	37	3	45	6	37	2	35
Adjusted or withdrawn	3	62	2	49	17	31	6	49	4	56
Otherwise disposed of.....	2	482	1	167	5	536	3	785	2	460
Total..	54	2327	24	1975	43	1877	41	2464	15	1989
Depending 31st December ..	31	A 713	42	1132	52	1387	44	1315	90	1620

A.—The difference between the figures marked A has been occasioned by the return of three Appeals by the Sudder Dewanee Adawlut under the provisions of Act XII. of 1843, to be replaced on the File of the Assistant Judge of Ahmedabad.

No. 7.—SUBORDINATE AND ADDITIONAL JUDGES.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		..
Instituted during the year ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		..
Received by transfer	..	360	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1092
Total..	..	360	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1092
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	..	139	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	43
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	..	130	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	74
Remanded	..	78	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36
Dismissed on default	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total..	..	360	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	169
Depending 31st December ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	923

No. 8.—DISTRICT AND CITY JUDGES.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	7	892	17	A 738	B 40	B1236	36	1843	31	2430
Instituted during the year ..	25	1692	18	2327	25	2735	17	2747	20	2687
Received by transfer	42	125	19	169	25	430	17	889	19	194
Total..	74	2709	54	3234	90	4401	70	5479	70	5311
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	4	316	1	290	13	344	8	406	4	254
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	1	843	3	803	6	551	4	956	4	812
Remanded	..	231	..	257	..	171	..	260	..	271
Dismissed on default	37	34	7	30	10	17	3	61	15	56
Adjusted or withdrawn	1	48	1	51	1	55	3	70	5	82
Otherwise disposed of	14	505	14	679	24	1420	21	1296	16	2238
Total..	57	1977	26	2110	54	2558	39	3049	44	3713
Depending 31st December..	17	732	28	1124	36	1843	31	2430	26	1598

A.—This includes six Appeals returned by the Sudder Dewanee Adawlut, under the provisions of Act XII. of 1843.

B.—These include the number of Suits and Appeals depending on the 31st December 1852, on the File of the late Agent at Colaba.

No. 9.—SUDDER DEWANNEE ADAWLUT.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.
Depending 1st January	10	282	10	208	15	268	16	354	15	375
Admitted during the year ..	1	103	7	239	3	200	6	110	6	134
Total..	11	385	17	447	18	468	22	464	21	509
Dismissed on default	..	1	..	9	..	7	1	..	..	2
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1
Confirmed..	1	77	1	53	1	39	2	47	1	47
Amended	..	8	..	10	..	5	..	7	2	12
Reversed	..	41	..	28	...	24	3	22	..	24
Remanded	..	49	1	78	..	39	1	12	..	23
Total..	1	177	2	179	2	114	7	89	3	109
Depending 31st December ..	10	208	15	268	16	354	15	375	18	400

No. 10.—AGGREGATE OF ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	15170	18842	A 20061	23796	29317
Instituted during the year	96103	99471	107626	99621	100860
Received by transfer	1211	1396	1362	5720	4159
Total....	112484	119709	129049	129137	134336
Decided on merits	65563	72284	76088	70448	78904
Dismissed on default	4801	5318	5612	4323	4192
Adjusted or withdrawn	21799	21662	22165	19805	19935
Otherwise disposed of.....	1479	1667	1388	5244	3900
Depending 31st December	18842	18778	20796	29317	27405
Decided by European Judges	95	35	68	56	59
Ditto Native ditto	92031	99176	103751	94474	106780
Ditto Punchayets.....	37	53	46	46	92
Total decided....	92163	99264	103865	94576	106931

A.—These include the number of Original Suits depending on the Files of the late Colaba Agency on the 31st December 1852.

No. 11.—AGGREGATE OF APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

Appeals from	District and City Judges.										Subordinate and Additional Judges.										Assistant Judges.										Principal Sudder Ameens.									
	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.
Suits appealable	5	1159	4	1093	19	895	12	1362	8	1066	..	269	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	117	46	1375	18	1357	18	986	26	1313	7	1131	4857	349	6511	329	6872	953	6843	706	6178	355
Appealed	1	41	7	97	3	88	6	42	6	63	..	13	..	33	..	8	..	1	..	1	11	47	15	105	10	90	13	47	6	55	368	2	618	4	564	14	492	20	520	15
Appeals depending on 1st January	6	186	6	118	12	120	14	155	14	172	..	18	..	13	..	36	..	33	..	26	10	75	12	72	14	105	27	150	34	148	163	3	221	5	365	7	563	16	545	29
Received by transfer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	14	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	11	..	172	..
Total	7	227	13	215	15	208	20	197	29	235	..	31	..	46	..	44	..	34	..	27	21	122	27	177	38	195	49	197	54	203	531	5	840	9	929	21	1066	36	1237	44
Affirmed	1	46	..	33	..	18	2	11	1	20	..	4	..	2	..	1	..	3	..	5	6	27	10	16	3	15	6	28	14	19	179	..	258	2	213	5	305	5	315	3
Modified	..	6	..	7	..	..	..	2	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	3	1	5	..	5	4	1	34	..	40	..	34	..	51	..	42	..
Reversed	..	27	..	17	..	14	2	9	..	9	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	1	1	10	2	11	1	8	4	9	..	11	34	..	60	..	41	..	53	2	55	3
Remanded	..	29	1	32	..	15	1	2	..	15	..	10	..	6	..	8	..	3	..	2	2	10	1	40	..	16	..	7	4	5	42	..	60	..	51	..	66	..	100	1
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	5	..	6	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	4	..	1	..	10	..	21	..	9	..	23	..	34	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	11	..	25	..	18	..	23	..	40	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	168	..
Total	1	109	1	95	1	53	6	25	3	56	..	18	..	10	..	11	..	8	..	10	9	50	13	72	6	45	15	49	36	36	310	..	475	2	366	5	521	7	754	7
Depending 31st December	6	118	12	120	14	155	14	172	17	179	..	13	..	36	..	33	..	26	..	17	12	72	14	105	27	150	34	148	18	167	221	5	365	7	563	16	545	29	483	37

SUPPLEMENT TO No. 11.—AGGREGATE OF APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

Appeals from	Sudder Ameens.					Moonsiffs.					Jagheerdars.					Punchayets.					Revenue Courts.				
	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.
Suits appealable	10538	12610	11788	9275	11511	50080	53088	57345	54246	61108	60	224	156	133	147	37	53	46	46	22	..	..	..	..	..
Appealed	686	708	755	673	747	2926	3212	3500	3311	2923	2	7	11	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	3
Appeals depending on 1st January	310	273	342	667	770	1230	1063	1740	2345	2468	1	..	5	8	4	1	..	..	..	..	7	5	6	9	10
Received by transfer	73	102	125	273	554	814	742	1825	2188	2003	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
	[illegible]	1089	1222	[illegible]	2071	4970	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	7	6	9	12	20
Affirmed	378	322	201	294	317	1496	1258	1340	1495	1131	1	..	3	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	5
Modified	57	70	51	64	48	282	216	355	328	176	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reversed	128	97	63	105	110	557	438	525	668	455	1	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Remanded	128	116	78	74	125	630	630	548	578	460	1	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	24	14	24	10	25	39	34	51	62	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	16	19	13	25	34	97	63	60	97	83	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Otherwise disposed of	99	103	125	262	545	888	741	1832	2148	1968	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Total	825	741	555	843	1199	3989	3989	4720	5376	4315	3	2	8	9	5	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	12
Depending 31st December	244	342	667	770	872	981	1628	2345	2468	3079	..	5	8	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	9	10	8

No. 12.—DESCRIPTION OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Connected with Land Rent	85	98	201	136	115
Otherwise connected with Land	1798	2410	2471	2231	2217
Connected with Debts, Wages, &c.	87715	94607	99007	90380	102903
Ditto Caste, Religion, &c.....	1039	522	371	215	252
Ditto Indigo, Sugar, Silk, &c.	1526	1627	1815	1614	1444
Total....	92163	99264	103865	94576	106931

No. 13.—RESULT OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

In favour of Plaintiff.	In favour of Defendant.
77714	29217

No. 14.—AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.

	1851			1852			1853			1854			1855		
	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Sudder Dewanee Adawlut..	1	3	29	1	7	7	1	8	28	1	5	17	2	6	3
District and City Judges ..	..	5	13	..	7	29	..	9	17	1	5	16	1	1	10
Subordinate and Additional Judges	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	8	1
Assistant Judges	1	3	7	..	9	18	..	10	11	1	1	25	1	6	13
Principal Sudder Ameens. .	..	2	18	..	2	20	..	3	17	..	3	23	..	3	15
Sudder Ameens.....	..	2	24	..	3	4	..	2	25	..	4	9	..	4	12
Moonsiffs	..	4	2	..	3	10	..	5	29	..	6	4	..	7	5

No. 15.—TOTAL VALUE OF SUITS DEPENDING.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Before Sudder Adawlut.....	668328	3382312	604511	713210	676559
Before other Courts, Original	2215678	3144804	3829620	3915644	4372378
Ditto ditto Appeals	505270	1385645	3393501	3852067	1387553
Total....	3389276	7912761	7827632	8480921	6436490

No. 16.—DEBTORS IN JAIL.

	1851				1852				1853				1854				1855			
	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.
At the instance of Individuals	1125	86659	1	3	990	70374	14	8	1034	66629	..	6	784	54354	13	6	780	62744	11	4
At the instance of Government	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	9694	7	9	..	..	..	..	6	1076	13	9
Total Number in Jail	1125	86659	1	3	990	70374	14	8	1038	76323	8	3	784	54354	13	6	786	63821	9	1

AGENTS' COURTS.

No. 1.—PUNCHAYETS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	..	..	..	..	..
Instituted during the year	6	2	5	6	4
Total	6	2	5	6	4
Decided on merits	6	2	5	6	4
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..
Total	6	2	5	6	4
Depending 31st December	..	..	..	..	..

No. 2.—JAGHEERDARS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	93	94	163	137	60
Instituted during the year	260	549	341	188	253
Received by transfer	2	19	2	7	7
Total	355	662	506	332	320
Decided on merits	144	341	228	144	157
Dismissed on default	24	29	8	9	14
Adjusted or withdrawn	41	125	69	54	53
Otherwise disposed of	52	4	64	65	..
Total	261	499	369	272	224
Depending 31st December	94	163	137	60	96

No. 3.—MOONSIFFS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	709	1008	..	..	..
Instituted during the year	1739	1886	..	..	..
Received by transfer	3	1	..	..	..
Total	2451	2895	..	..	..
Decided on merits	1092	1284	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	36	24	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	314	313	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	1	3	..	..	..
Total	1443	1624	..	..	..
Depending 31st December	1008	A 1271	..	..	..

A.—In consequence of the abolition of the Colaba Agency, these Suits were transferred to the Tanna Adawlut, and are accounted for in Statement No. 3 of the Adawlut Civil Courts.

No. 4.—ASSISTANT AGENT.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	3	12	16	24	26
Instituted during the year	18	19	24	17	13
Received by transfer	..	..	..	..	..
Total	21	31	40	41	39
Decided on merits	8	12	11	12	3
Dismissed on default	1	2	2	2	1
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	1	3	1	1
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..
Total	9	15	16	15	5
Depending 31st December	12	16	24	26	34

No. 5.—AGENTS.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	19	59	24	77	A 3	A 11	10	5	11	5
Instituted during the year ..	32	139	18	147	11	7	9	5	6	4
Received by transfer	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total....	52	198	47	224	14	18	19	10	17	10
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	14	25	15	29	4	3	2	1	4	2
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	5	83	6	56	..	1	2	3	..	5
Remanded	..	6	.	13	..	9	..	..	..	2
Dismissed on default	4	5	6	1	..	..	3	1	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	2	2	4	2	..	..	1	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of.....	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total....	28	121	32	101	4	13	8	5	4	9
Depending 31st December ..	24	77	15	123	10	5	11	5	13	1

A.—These do not include the Suits and Appeals depending on the File of the late Agent of Colaba on the 31st December 1852, which have been transferred, owing to the Office of the Agent at Colaba having been abolished, to the Files of the Tanna Adawlut.

No. 6.—SUDDER DEWANEE ADAWLUT.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.
Depending 1st January	17	9	15	2	14	6	11	8	7	8
Admitted during the year ..	6	1	4	5	..	2	..	1	3	..
Total..	23	10	19	7	14	8	11	9	10	8
Dismissed on default	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Confirmed..	3	5	2	1	3	..	3	..	1	1
Amended	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Reversed	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Remanded	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Total..	8	8	5	1	3	..	4	1	1	3
Depending 31st December ..	15	2	14	6	11	8	7	8	9	5

No. 7.—AGGREGATE OF ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	824	1138	A 182	171	97
Instituted during the year	2055	2474	381	220	276
Received by transfer	6	25	2	7	7
Total....	2885	3637	565	398	380
Decided on merits	1269	1660	248	166	168
Dismissed on default	65	61	10	14	15
Adjusted or withdrawn	357	443	72	56	54
Otherwise disposed of.....	56	8	64	65	..
Depending 31st December	1138	1465	171	97	143
Decided by European Judges	34	46	20	23	9
Ditto Native ditto	1651	2116	305	207	224
Ditto Punchayets.....	6	2	5	6	4
Total decided....	1691	2164	330	236	237

A.—These do not include the number of Original Suits on the Files of the late Colaba Agency, which are transferred to the Files of the Tanna Adawlut.

No. 8.—AGGREGATE OF APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

Appeals from	Agents.										Assistant Agents.					Moonsiffs.					Jagheerdars.					Punchayets.				
	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.
Suits appealable	19	108	21	85	4	4	4	4	4	7	8	12	11	12	3	1092	1284	..	..	..	84	117	228	144	147	6	2	5	6	4
Appealed	6	1	4	5	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	3	1	3	2	122	124	..	..	..	17	20	6	2	2	..	..	..	..	..
Appeals depending on 1st January	17	9	15	2	14	6	11	8	7	8	4	..	1	1	3	44	73	..	..	..	11	4	10	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Received by transfer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total	23	10	19	7	14	8	11	9	10	8	4	3	2	4	5	166	197	..	..	..	28	24	16	6	5	..	..	..	..	..
Affirmed	3	5	2	1	3	..	3	..	1	1	2	2	1	..	3	72	45	..	..	..	9	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Modified	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	4	14	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reversed	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	16	13	..	..	..	3	8	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Remanded	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	..	..	..	6	3	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	8	8	5	1	3	..	4	1	1	3	4	2	1	1	5	93	85	..	..	..	24	14	12	4	4	..	..	..	..	..
Depending 31st December	15	2	14	6	11	8	7	8	9	5	..	1	1	3	..	73	112	..	..	..	4	10	4	2	1	..	..	..	..	..

No. 9.—DESCRIPTION OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Connected with Land Rent	26	49	..	..	3
Otherwise connected with Land	96	97	4	2	3
Connected with Debts, Wages, &c.	1561	2007	326	234	231
Ditto Caste, Religion, &c.	8	11	..	..	..
Ditto Indigo, Sugar, Silk, &c.	..	..	..	..	..
Total....	1691	2164	330	236	237

No. 10.—RESULT OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

In favour of Plaintiff.	In favour of Defendant.
173	64

No. 11.—AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.

	1851			1852			1853			1854			1855		
	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Sudder Dewanee Adawlut..	1	2	7	2	6	17	3	2	19	2	9	5	2	10	6
Agents	..	5	8	..	8	22	1	..	12	..	11	..	1	2	..
Assistant Agent	..	3	26	..	4	2	..	11	13	1	..	16	1	6	14
Moonsiffs	..	6	18	..	4	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jagheerdars	..	4	4	..	3	15	..	6	4	..	4	11	1	2	16

No. 12.—TOTAL VALUE OF SUITS DEPENDING.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Before Sudder Adawlut.....	34735	29514	27431	25054	42502
Before other Courts, Original	88177	106875	728977	559691	129268
Ditto ditto Appeals	3567	5531	143	2739	72
Total....	126479	141920	756551	587484	171842

No. 13.—DEBTORS IN JAIL.

	1851				1852				1853				1854				1855			
	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.
At the instance of Individuals	3	128	13	8	5	14	14	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
At the instance of Government	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total Number in Jail	3	128	13	8	5	14	14	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

REVENUE COURTS.

No. 1.—PUNCHAYETS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	..	..	..	..	..
Instituted during the year	..	..	1	..	..
Total....	...	..	1	..	..
Decided on merits	..	..	1	..	..
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..
Total....	..	..	1	..	..
Depending 31st December	..	..	..	..	..

No. 2.—MAMLUTDARS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	345	325	421	423	376
Instituted during the year	1486	1410	1343	1410	1613
Received by transfer	26	31	47	136	66
Total...	1857	1766	1811	1969	2055
Decided on merits	813	771	862	970	967
Dismissed on default	300	179	184	178	202
Adjusted or withdrawn	392	382	287	408	487
Otherwise disposed of	27	13	55	37	12
Total...	1532	1345	1388	1593	1668
Depending 31st December	325	421	423	376	387

No. 3.—ASSISTANT COLLECTORS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	2	..	..	1	1
Instituted during the year	..	..	2	1	..
Received by transfer	..	..	2	..	..
Total	2	..	4	2	1
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	1	..	2	1	..
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	..	..	..	..	..
Remanded	..	..	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	..	..	1	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	1	..	..	..	1
Total	2	..	3	1	1
Depending 31st December	..	..	1	1	..

No. 4.—COLLECTORS.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January	4	92	2	154	4	104	4	162	4	198
Instituted during the year	..	162	3	116	2	147	..	244	1	190
Received by transfer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
Total	4	254	5	270	6	251	4	409	5	391
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant	1	18	..	40	1	10	..	65	..	55
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent	1	62	..	95	..	44	..	113	..	94
Remanded	..	6	..	14	..	13	..	22	..	19
Dismissed on default	..	10	..	7	..	11	..	7	..	15
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	4	..	1	..	7	..	2	..	4
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	1	9	1	4	..	2	..	4
Total	2	100	1	166	2	89	..	211	..	191
Depending 31st December	2	154	4	104	4	162	4	198	5	200

NOTE.—This Statement includes the work of the Sub-Collectors of Nassick and Colaba.

No. 5.—SUDDER DEWANEE ADAWLUT.

	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855	
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.
Depending 1st January	3	1	4	1	4	5	3	9	2	8
Admitted during the year ..	1	2	..	5	..	5	2	6	..	4
Total..	4	3	4	6	4	10	5	15	2	12
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Confirmed	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	1
Amended	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Reversed	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Remanded	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1
Total..	..	2	..	1	1	1	3	7	..	2
Depending 31st December ..	4	1	4	5	3	9	2	8	2	10

No. 6.—AGGREGATE OF ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Depending 1st January	351	327	425	428	381
Instituted during the year	1486	1413	1348	1411	1614
Received by transfer	26	31	49	136	66
Total....	1863	1771	1822	1975	2061
Decided on merits	816	771	866	971	967
Dismissed on default	300	179	185	178	202
Adjusted or withdrawn	392	382	287	408	487
Otherwise disposed of	28	14	56	37	13
Depending 31st December	327	425	428	381	392
Decided by European Judges	3	..	4	1	1
Ditto Native ditto	1505	1332	1333	1556	1668
Ditto Punchayets	..	..	1	..	..
Total decided....	1508	1332	1338	1557	1669

No. 7.—AGGREGATE OF APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

Appeals from	Revenue Judge of Bombay.										Collectors.										Assistant Collectors.					Mamlutdars.					Punchayets.				
	1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851		1852		1853		1854		1855		1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.
Suits appealable	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	80	..	135	1	54	8	170	..	149	1	..	2	1	..	813	771	862	970	967	..	..	1	..	..
Appealed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	..	5	2	6	..	4	1	..	1	1	..	161	116	146	243	190	..	..	..	..	..
Appeals depending on 1st January	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	4	1	4	5	3	9	2	8	2	1	1	1	1	90	153	103	161	197	..	..	..	..	..
Received by transfer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	4	6	4	10	5	15	2	12	3	1	2	2	1	251	269	249	407	390	..	..	..	..	..
Affirmed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	58	69	40	112	96	..	..	..	..	..
Modified	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	35	5	10	18	..	..	..	..	..
Reversed	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	14	31	8	55	34	..	..	..	..	..
Remanded	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	14	13	22	19	..	..	..	..	..
Dismissed on default	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	7	11	7	15	..	..	..	..	..
Adjusted or withdrawn	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	7	2	4	..	..	..	..	..
Otherwise disposed of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	4	2	4	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	1	3	7	..	2	2	..	1	1	1	98	166	88	210	190	..	..	..	..	..
Depending 31st December	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	4	5	3	9	2	8	2	10	1	1	1	1	..	153	103	161	197	200	..	..	..	..	..

No. 8.—DESCRIPTION OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Connected with Land Rent	1426	1246	1274	1389	1567
Otherwise connected with Land	82	86	64	167	102
Connected with Debts, Wages, &c.	[illegible]	..	..	1	..
Ditto Caste, Religion, &c.	[illegible]	..	..	..	..
Ditto Indigo, Sugar, Silk, &c.	[illegible]	..	..	..	..
Total	1508	1332	1338	1557	1669

No. 9.—RESULT OF ORIGINAL SUITS.

In favour of Plaintiff.	In favour of Defendant.
1145	52[illegible]

No. 10.—AVERAGE [illegible]TION OF SUITS.

	1851			1852			1853			1854			1855		
	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Sudder Dewanee Adawlut..	1	2	17	..	3	11	1	9	3	2	5	26	3	1	18
Collectors	1	..	24	..	11	24	..	7	22	..	8	28	..	11	..
Assistant Collectors	..	3	28	..	..	..	..	5	14	1	7	20	1	3	24
Mamlutdars	..	3	5	..	5	20	..	5	4	..	4	25	..	4	24

No. 11.—TOTAL VALUE OF SUITS DEPENDING.

	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
Before Sudder Adawlut	2327	2501	1830	801	756
Before other Courts, Original	11225	14872	14769	15660	21360
Ditto ditto Appeals	8872	8146	5189	7631	7320
Total....	22424	25519	21788	24092	29436

No. 12.—DEBTORS IN JAIL.

	1851				1852				1853				1854				1855			
	No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.			No.	Amount.		
		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.
At the instance of individuals	11	621	11	6	14	[illegible]	6	1	18	798	11	7	19	365	9	6	17	397	..	9
At the instance of Government ..	2	824	8	4	37	[illegible]	9	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	347	7	11
Total number in Jail.....	13	1446	3	10	51	[illegible]			18	798	11	7	19	365	9	6	31	744	8	8

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Names of Zillahs.	Names of the European Officers.	Designation.	Period of holding Office.	Disposal of Business.					Remarks.
				Criminal Cases.	Original Suits.	Appeals.	Criminal Miscellaneous Orders.	Civil Miscellaneous Orders.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	C. Walter, Esq.	Acting Assistant Judge and Session Judge in Charge.	1st to 28th January 1855	..	..	..	139	517	
	H. Newton, Esq.	Acting Judge and Session Judge	29th January to 10th March 1855	16	..	1	242	906	
	C. Walter, Esq.	Acting Assistant Judge and Session Judge in Charge.	11th to 22nd March 1855	..	..	..	109	260	
Ahmedabad	H. Newton, Esq.	Acting Judge and Session Judge	23rd March to 24th D	5	..	*112	1,617	5,829	
	C. Walter, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge in Charge.	25th to 31st Decem				42	88	
	H. B. Lockett, Esq.	Officiating Joint Judge and Session Judge.	1st Jun						
	C. Walter, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	1st January to 31st December 1855	63	7	*177	173	2,055	
	H. Hebbert, Esq.	Acting Judge and Session Judge	320 days, from 1st January to 1st March 1855, from 22nd April to 11th May, from 17th May to 16th November, and from 22nd November to 31st December 1855	A 46	2	*202	B 1,657	C 6,025	A.—Besides these, other 5 Criminal Cases were decided by the Acting Session Judge at Broach. B.—These include 8 Criminal Cases received for confirmation from Broach, and 18 Appeals against Assistant Session Judges' decisions. C.—These include 31 Applications for Certificates, and 75 to sue or defend Suits as Paupers.
Surat	F. Lloyd, Esq.	Ditto ditto	35 days, from 18th March to 21st April 1855	3	..	*27	D 202	E 633	D.—These include 1 Criminal Case received for confirmation from Broach, and 0 Appeals against the Assistant Session Judge's decisions. E.—These include 7 Applications for Certificates.
	R. F. Mactier, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	94 days, from 13th January to 16th April 1855	8	*1	*78	10	992	
	E. W. Ravenscroft, Esq.	2nd Assistant Collector in Charge Adawlut.	5 days, from 12th to 16th May 1855	..	..	..	15	46	
	W. Sandwith, Esq.	3rd Assistant Collector in Charge Adawlut.	5 days, from 17th to 21st November 1855.	..	..	..	9	50	
	R. F. Mactier, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge In Charge D. S.	From 1st to 8th January 1855, and from 18th April to 31st December 1855	21	2	158	819	2,777	
Broach	R. S. Bagshaw, Esq.	Acting Senior Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	From 9th January to 12th April 1855	3	..	41	296	1,016	Besides the Criminal Cases noted in column 5, there were 5 Cases decided by the Acting Session Judge Mr. Hebbert.
	E. L. Jenkins, Esq.	Collector and Magistrate in Charge.	From 13th to 17th April 1855	..	..	..	13	52	
	R. Keays, Esq.	Judge and Session Judge	1st January to 14th March 1855	13	..	*32	402	2,490	No Judge from 15th March to 3rd April 1855.
Tanna	C. M. Harrison, Esq.	Ditto ditto	4th April to 31st December 1855	53	2	*109	1,317	6,517	Mr. Harrison was on leave from 1st to 5th August.
	C. H. Cameron, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	1st January to 31st December 1855	53	1	*188	1,745	6,147	Mr. Cameron was on leave from 1st to 31st October, and again from 5th to 31st December on sick leave.
Ruttnagherry	H. P. St. G. Tucker, Esq.	Senior Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	From 1st January to 31st December 1855.	70	..	185	1,029	8,491	
	P. W. LeGeyt, Esq.	Judge and Session Judge	From 1st to 8th January, and from 25th January to 2nd March 1855	8	..	*25	37	265	
	R. Keays, Esq.	Ditto ditto	From 27th March to 31st December 1855.	64	*1	*216	1,273	7,241	
Poona	R. White, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	From 1st January to 28th September 1855.	18	1	*111	552	8,420	
	P. W. LeGeyt, Esq.	Agent	2 months and 2 days	..	..	..	..	535	
	R. Keays, Esq.	Ditto	9 ditto 5 ditto	..	1	6	..	2,005	
	R. White, Esq.	Assistant Agent.	8 ditto 28 ditto	..	5	..	..	120	
Sholapore	C. M. Harrison, Esq.	Judge and Session Judge	From 1st January to 28th February 1855.	10	..	34	443	1,561	In addition to this, the Session Judge reviewed, upon Petitions from Convicts in the Criminal Jail, 8 Cases which had been tried by the Assistant Session Judge and Assistant Magistrates, &c., and 8 referred for Confirmation by the Sudder Adawlut.
	T. A. Compton, Esq.	Ditto ditto	From 19th May to 31st December 1855.	33	..	17	2,568	5,216	
	J. W. Woodcock, Esq.	Ditto ditto	1 year	64	17	99	1,246	6,679	
Ahmednuggur									
	Honorable G. A. Hobart.	Acting Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	Ditto	35	1	311	1,393	5,928	
Khandrish	A. St. J. Richardson, Esq.	Judge and Session Judge	From 11th January to 31st December 1855.	66	3	F 266	1,496	6,774	In addition to the number of Criminal Cases shown as disposed of in this Return, 18 Cases tried by the Magistracy were reviewed. Orders in the English Department and outward English letters, &c. and miscellaneous orders on the Criminal side 274, and on the Civil side 1,300, issued by the Officers who were in charge of the Adawlut, are not entered in the amount of miscellaneous business. F.—These include 4 Appeals remanded from the Court of Sudder Dewanee Adawlut.
	A. W. Jones, Esq.	Ditto ditto	11 months and 19 days	128	*3	*279	G 3,711	H 10,493	G.—This includes 36 Cases appealed to the Session Judge, and 1 Case called for on Warrant of a Prisoner. H.—This includes 29 Inquiries into Petitions of persons claiming to sue or defend as Paupers, and 11 Cases of persons claiming to be declared Heirs or Executors of persons deceased.
Dharwad									
	R. H. Pinhey, Esq.	Assistant Judge and Session Judge.	9 ditto 1 ditto	59	..	*280	83	1,454	
Belgaum	W. W. Bell, Esq.	Political Agent Southern Mooratha Country.	From 16th January to 31st December 1855.	..	3	3	..	5	
			Total	974	50	3,186	22,984	1,01,060	

The figures marked thus * do not include Suits and Appeals "otherwise disposed of."

Bombay, Sudder Dewanee Adawlut, 31st March 1856.

(Signed) M. A. COXON,
Registrar.